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SUBJECT: W/W REPORTED EXPULSION OF AMCIT CATHERINE WOBERA

1. TASS ITEM DATELINED MINSK, NOVEMBER 4, REPORTED THE EXPULSION FROM THE USSR OF AN AMERICAN CITIZEN, CATHERINE WOBERA, AGED 29, AND A DUTCH WOMAN ALLEGEDLY ON GROUNDS OF ATTEMPTING TO SMUGGLE HARD CURRENCY AND ANTI-SOVIET LITERATURE INTO THE COUNTRY.

2. IN RESPONSE TO SEVERAL INQUIRIES BASED ON THE TASS ITEM FROM AMERICAN CORRESPONDENTS HERE, CONSULAR COUNSELOR STATED THAT WE HAD RECEIVED NO NOTIFICATION FROM THE SOVIET AUTHORITIES REGARDING THIS MATTER. HE ADDED THAT STRICTLY SPEAKING, THE US-USSR CONSULAR CONVENTION REQUIRES NOTIFICATION IN CASE OF ARREST OR DETENTION, BUT NOT IN CASE OF EXPULSION. SINCE WE HAVE RECEIVED NO OTHER DETAILS CONCERNING THIS MATTER, WE ARE WAITING FURTHER WORD FROM MS. WOBERA HERSELF BEFORE DECIDING WHETHER TO INTERCEDE WITH THE MFA. MATLOCK

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